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EDUCATION

B.S., Interior Design
Texas Christian University
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AFFILIATIONS

Association of University Interior Designers (AUID)

AWARDS

- 2025- DBIA National Award of Excellence
Smith-Perkins Hall Renovation and Expansion
- 2023- CMAA Remediation Under \$10M
Virginia-Snider Commons Garden Level Renovation
- 2022- AUID Renovations Under \$50k
McElvaney Commons Lobby Refresh

AT A GLANCE

Project management and interiors focused professional supporting campus capital projects at SMU, with a focus on leading coordination efforts, driving project execution, and maintaining alignment with university standards. Since 2021, has managed 76 projects totaling over \$100M in project value, working closely with users, consultants, and contractors to deliver projects on schedule and within budget. Provides day-to-day leadership across multiple projects, facilitating communication, tracking progress against goals, and supporting decision-making to keep initiatives moving forward. Recognized for strong organizational oversight, effective team coordination, and a consistent ability to manage competing priorities while ensuring quality and compliance across campus environments.

CURRENT ROLE

- Coordinate with users, consultants, and contractors to support capital projects of varying scope and scale, communicate objectives, and maintain project schedules.
- Lead project meetings and conduct site visits to track progress and ensure compliance with design standards and accessibility requirements.
- Support interior design scope across renovation, new construction, and existing facility projects, including coordination with vendors, tracking budgets, and assisting with procurement.
- Contribute to space planning and design strategies that promote functional, efficient, and mission-aligned campus environments.
- Management and oversight of annual updates of SMU design guidelines to ensure consistency, quality, and alignment with institutional branding and operational needs.

RECENT SMU PROJECTS

- Virginia-Snider Commons
\$45.6 million renovation includes 68,500 GSF across four stories. The project consists of the renovation of an existing residence hall.
- Smith-Perkins Hall Renovation and Expansion
\$36 million project includes 44,790 SF of renovated space and 4,570 SF of new construction across three stories. The project consists of the comprehensive renovation of two existing residence halls and the addition of a connector featuring study, lounge, and lobby spaces.
- Meadows Museum Custard Institute Renovation
\$2.3 million project includes 5,974 SF across two levels. The project consists of renovations to establish a new Custard Institute space, along with updates to existing food service, mezzanine, and event spaces.
- Moody Coliseum Concession Stand Update
\$1.3 million project includes four concession stands. Scope also includes updated signage, new food service equipment, and new point-of-sale systems.

